

Indoor Radon Gas Tennessee Fact Sheet

- ❖ Radon is a radioactive gas and is the second leading cause of lung cancer resulting in 15,000 – 20,000 deaths each year.
- ❖ Radon is naturally occurring in rocks and soils of earth. It is invisible, tasteless and odorless.
- ❖ Radon gas can accumulate to dangerous levels in homes and other structures.
- ❖ The only way to know if you have a radon gas problem is to test. It is easy and inexpensive to test your home for radon gas.
- ❖ Radon test kits are available in many hardware stores and are available through the [American Lung Association](#) at reduced costs (\$8.00) by calling 1-800-432-LUNG.
- ❖ Radon problems are relatively easy and inexpensive to correct. The average home in Tennessee can be mitigated (fixed) for between \$800 and \$2,000.
- ❖ Radon resistant construction techniques are effective, inexpensive and average costing between \$300 to \$800. That is much less than retro-fitting an existing home.
- ❖ Low cost radon test kits can also be purchased at any county agricultural extension service office.